## WHAT CAUSED BRANCH'S DEATH?

Medical Experts Believe it Was Blows Given Him by Meriwether.

NOTHING COULD SAVE HIM.

Defense Rigidly Cross Examined Dr. Stone But Did Not Succeed in Changing His Opinion.

Annapolis, Md., Nov. 23 .- The prose cution used its heavy artillery in the of medical testimony during today's session of the court-martial which is trying Midshipman Meriwether for manslaughter in connection with the death of Midshipman Branch, important witnesses being Dr. J. M. T. Finney chief surgeon of the Johns Hopkins uni yersity of Baltimore; Dr. Henry M. Thomas, neurologist of the same institution, and Surgeon J. C. Byrnes, the chief medical officer attached to the naval academy.

The operation upon Midshipman Branch, consisting of lifting and folding Branch, consisting of lifting and folding over a portion of the skull in order to remove such blood clots as might be formed, was performed by Dr. Finney and Dr. Thomas, the specialist in that line, who came to Annapolis at Dr. Finney's request, in order to locate from the symptoms the proper place for the operation. Dr. Byrnes was called in consultation with Dr. Stone shortly after Branch had been brought to the hospital.

ter was given by the medical men. All the medical officers gave it positive conviction that nch died from the effect of blows had received in his fight with Meriwether. They belittled any possible ef-set of the treatment Branch received



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saved his life. The absence of an autopsy was explained by Surgeon Byrnes, who stated that Branch's father refused his permission

The prosecution will almost surely close its festimony tomorrow, in fact, it is not likely that anything further will be brought out that will greatly affect the case.

The principal witness called was Surgeon E. P. Stone of the naval academy staff. He gave a detailed account of Branch's symptoms, his treatment and the change in his condition leading up to his death. The death, he said, was primarily due to edema of the vessels of the brain, though this was not disclosed by the operation and no autopsy was performed, as Branch's as Branch's parents would not consent.

The cross-examination of Dr. Stone by Lieut.-Commander Robison, counsel

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questions on different phases of Dr. Stone's testimony. The defense evidently wished to raise a doubt as to the positiveness of the proof that Branch's death was necessarily caused by the blows received from Meriwether and asked many questions of the medical officer as to the possibility of some unhealthful condition of Branch bringing about the death. He was also examined as to the effect of the absence of an autopsy and his ability under the circumstances to testify positively as to the cause of death.

A large part of the time of the session this morning was taken up in read-

sion this morning was taken up in read-ing over and verifying the record of yesterday's proceedings. This is repuired by regulations and as many wit resses were examined yesterday, much of this morning's session was so occu

Several witnesses noted minor discrepancies in the recording of their testi-mony or corrected themselves on state-ments they had made. According to the practise of naval court-martials further juestions are allowed to be made of vitnesses who are recalled and one of wo important points developed in this

Mishipman A. M. Fitch, the refered of the Meriwether-Branch fight, who admits to acting as referee in 19 simi-lar encounters, was questioned as to the use of the gloves which were used the use of the gloves which were used in the fight at the academy. These gloves are used to protect the hands when punching the bag, but Fitch said that there was no regulation as far as he knew against their use in the friend-boxing matches at the academy gymnasium. He also said that he had never seen them so used. In answer to a question by a member of the court, Fitch said that he believed gloves used at regular prize fights weighed about a at regular prize fights weighed about a half or three-quarters of an ounce. The only witnesses called during the

The only witnesses called during the morning session besides Surgeon Stone were Lieut.-Commander H. J. Ziegemier and Hospital Steward John F. Mahnakee. The former was called to prove that the articles for the government of the navy, which contain the prohibition against fighting were read to all midshipmen during the summer cruise, during which the witness commanded the Hartford, on which Meriwether was stationed.

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Hospital Steward Mahnakee was summoned to have his testimony fill the gap
between the testimony of Pritchard as
to the developments of Branch's unfavorable symptoms and his reception
by the hospital authorities. He told of
being summoned to Bancroft hall, seejug Branch and recognizing his serious ing Branch and recognizing his serious condition. This he reported to Dr. Stone and was ordered to bring Branch to the hospital. He had him carried in ar electric carriage to the hospital and delivered him to Surgeon Stone, transfer, he testified, was accomp

Tea is tea sometimes and at some houses; at other times and at other houses,

what do you think it is? In every marriage of Schiffling's Best Tea is a book

Branch came under his care at the hospital at about half-past eight Monday morning. He was absolutely un-scious, he said, the left side of head, left temple, his forearms, eye and lips were much swollen discolored and both eyes were were paralyzed and there was vulsive movement in the right ar

There was slight fever, but pulse was normal.

The witness said that he realized that Branch's condition was very ser and called Dr. Byrnes, chief surgeo the academy, into consultation. Finney and Thompson of Baltimor rived during the day and, with the

rived during the day and, with the con-sent of Branch's father, an exploratory operation was determined upon.

From the symptoms and what was disclosed during the operation De-Stons was confident that the condition had been brought about by external in-juries to the head, such as might have been caused by blows of the fist. These blows could have been inflicted on eith-er side of the head.

Much of the remainder of the direct Much of the remainder of the direct testimony was on the technical points connected with Branch's injury.

SUFFRAGE WOULD KILL REVOLUTIONARY MOVE.

Petersburg, Nov. 23.-The leader of the Social Democrats informed the Associated Press that if the premier agreed to universal sufrevolutionary organizations and would compel them, when it was demonstrated that the supporters of a democratic republic were in the minority in the national assembly, to employ against the constitutional monarchial regime the weapons which they have been using against the autocracy.

The zemstvo congress has petition asking that it declar favor of the autonomy of the kingdom of Georgia. No syet been taken either on the similar request from Poland, which was sustained in a brilliant speech by Coun

Premier Witte is being bombarded be elegrams from all parts of Polan raying for the abolition of marth law and the granting of autonomy. The lemand for the autonomy of Poland has encouraged the Lithuanians to make a similar demand. The premier has received a petition asking tautonomy be granted to the provin included in the old territorial limits the kingdom of Lithuania, which Courland and a portion of Suwalki, which are now comprised in the limits of Poland, but which the petitioners wish to be taken away from Poland and joined to Lithuania,

TO VOID LAND PATENTS.

suit Brought in Montana Against Many Parties.

St. Paul, Nov. 23,-A special to the Pioneer Press from Helena, Mont., says: United States Atty. Rasch has instituted in the United States court of equity suit against a number of Monana corporations and individuals to set iside patents to lands secured up forest reserve script. There are 25 pa-tents in all, involving between three and four thousand acres of land, lecated in various parts of the state.

The United States is plaintiff and the defendants are Hyde and Benson, the Western Lumber company, owned by Senator W. A. Clark; the Big Blackfoot Milling company, owned by the Amalgamated Copper company; the Conrad Investment company, owned by W. G. Conrad; the Riverside Land & Stock company, school district No. 11, Stock company, school district No. 11, of Fergus county, former State Senator S. H. Hobson of Fergus county, Anna D. Huntley and others.

Hyde and Benson are under indictment for alleged illegal action in connection with the creation of forest reserves in California, the government alleging that by improper methods they brought about the creation of forest reserves in California to include lands they already owned. They are said to have secured scrip for such lands and to have sold the scirp all over the west through Washington parties. Patents for lands owned by the defendants in this suit were received upon the Hyde

this suit were received upon the Hyde and Benson scrip and it is on allega-tions of fraud that the government tions of fraud that the government seeks to have the patents set aside. The bill of complaint makes some sensational allegations relative to cer-tain parties in connection with Hyde and Benson, scrip operations in Mon-

SUITS AGAINST D. H. MOFFAT.

New York, Nov. 24.—The suits filed i New York, Nov. 24.—The suits filed in Jersey City yesterday against David H. Moffatt, the mining and railroad millionaire of Denver, grew out of investments made in a pleasure park at Chesapeake Beach, Md. Charles Myers, a wealthy hotel owner of Atlantic City, the complainant, brings the suits as an executor through Lawyer E. B. Leaming of San Francisco.

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Several years ago Chiarles R. Myers, his brother, the late John Myers, and President McCracken of the Camden Central Trust company, secured a lease hold on the land and expended \$120,000 in improvements at Chesapeake Beach with the intention of establishing what was termed at the time an American Monte Carlo and pleasure resort.

A charter was secured in the Maryland legislature. Owing to poor transportation facilities the venture was not a success. The property was afterward sold at what was alleged to be a tax sale and went to David H. Moffatt. The taxes amounted to about \$400.

No notice of the sale had ever been given to Myers, he asserts, and he claims that his interest was under a lease hold and he should not have been liable for the taxes and that they should have been paid by the owner and could not affect his interest.

Moffatt continuing to keep possession, Mr. Myers brought suit to recover damages and the \$120,000 expended for the improvements to the land, together with interest and damages. For months attempt has been made to get service of papers on Moffat in New Jersey, Maryland and New York.

The park is located about 30 miles from Washington, D. C. Mr. Moffatt is at the Fifth Ayenue hotel here. He refused to discuss the case last night.

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DEAD.

Engineer Odenkiek of the work train Unknown Italian laborer, MISSING.

J. H. Cross, brakeman. Fireman J. C. Deitch of the gravel SERIOUSLY INJURED. Engineer K. W. Strouse of the gravel

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authorities.

When the federal authorities here learned of the New York diamond robbery they decided to hold the gems and unless Hoffman can show good reasons for not doing so, the games will be ferfeited on information filed by Atty Goodman.

DANIEL E. BANDMANN DEAD. Was an Actor of Note and Well Known Citizen of Montana.

Butte, Mont., Nov. 23.—Daniel E Bandmann, a Shakesperean actor of note and one of the best known resiallure, superinduced by acute indiger ion. Few men of the northwest ar morn in Cassel, Germany. He leave

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Chicago, Nov. 4.-For over three nours last night the sons of Erin bleago lauded Ireland and denounce England at a velebration given by t

wife and family.

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—Allen, Larkin and O'Brien. The auditorium was filled with Irishmen who
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